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NIC OUTSIDE ACTIVITY

NIC Requester: Hal Ford, NIO At Large

Date of Request: 9 March 1984

A. Identification of Event or Professional Discussion (including dates)

Conference on Soviet foreign policy. The conference will focus on Soviet policy in the Middle East, Afghanistan, and Africa. March 15, 1984, from 9:00 AM to 5:00 P.M.

B. Who (generally) will attend?

See attachment.

C. Foreign Attendance?

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D. Any awkward situations anticipated?

No

APPROVED/~~DISAPPROVED~~

Charles E. Waterman
Charles E. Waterman, Vice Chairman/NIC

3-9-84
Date

FORM 879 Required: YES _____ NO _____

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United States
Information
Agency

Washington, D.C. 20547



March 5, 1984

Dear Mr. Ford:

USIA is pleased to invite you to a conference on Soviet foreign policy.

The conference will focus on Soviet policy in the Middle East, Afghanistan, and Africa, as described in the enclosure. It will meet on March 15, 1984, from 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM, and will be hosted by the Kennan Institute for Advanced Russian Studies of the Woodrow Wilson Center (Smithsonian Building, Library Room, entry by the east door). Lunch will be included.

Because seating is limited, attendance will be by invitation only. Please respond as soon as possible, either by returning the enclosed card or calling. If you cannot attend, you may pass the invitation to someone else in your office. In that event, please let us know who will be coming.

If you wish further information, please call Willis Brooks or William Freeman in our Soviet and East European Research Branch (485-7124).

Sincerely yours,

Richard E. Bissell
Director
Office of Research

Mr. Hal Ford
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The United States Information Agency

with
The Kennan Institute for Advanced Russian Studies
Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars

presents a
Conference on Soviet Foreign Policy

Chairman: Helmut Sonnenfeldt (Brookings Institution)

Conference 3: The Middle East, Afghanistan, and Africa
March 15, 1984

Chairman: Ambassador Robert Neumann (CSIS)

9:00 The Soviet Union in the Middle East

paper: John Campbell (formerly Council on Foreign
Relations)

comment: Daniel Pipes (Harvard University)
Karen Dawisha (Brookings Institution)

10:45 Coffee break

11:00 Soviet policy in Afghanistan

paper: Melvin Goodman (CIA)

comment: Alvin Rubinstein (University of Pennsylvania)

12:30 Lunch

1:30 Prospects for Afghanistan

paper: Zalmay Khalilzad (Columbia University)

comment:

3:00 Coffee break

3:15 Soviet policy in Africa

presentation: Chester A. Crocker (Department of State)

comment: Alexander Alexiev (Rand Corporation)

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